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NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.27(g)(2)

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Any inquiry regarding this matter may be directed to the undersigned representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

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